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STATEMENT AND
CERTIFICATION

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This is an Information Disclosure Statement submitted in compliance with the timing requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(1), i.e., after the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a final Action or Notice of Allowance.

Attached is a copy of a Chinese patent document, which was first cited on April 11, 2008, by the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China in the attached Office Action, issued in connection with the corresponding Chinese application No. 200580001434.2. Also attached is an English-language translation of the foreign Office Action, from which any relevance of the document can be gleaned. The Examiner may also wish to consider the attached WIPO document, which corresponds to the Chinese patent document, and from which any further relevance of the Chinese patent document can be gleaned. The documents are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Also listed on the form PTO-1449 are five US patent documents, which are the priority documents of the Chinese patent document and are listed on the first page of the document.

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Should any fee be required, however, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-0002.

Respectfully submitted,

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